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## **AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004, for which the three-month shortened statutory period of response expired on January 6, 2005.

Accordingly, applicants submit herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time along with the requisite fee therefore. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the aboveidentified patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.